

Yanyuan Wenhua ·Discover China· International Leadership Camp for Overseas Youth

2026 · Discover Chinese Culture

P r o g r a m O v e r v i e w

- **Date:** Mid-to-late July 2026
- **Venues:** Beijing · Tianjin · Shanxi
- **Hosts:** Peking University, Lingnan University
- **Highlights:** This study camp breaks away from conventional sightseeing models, centering instead on immersive in-depth experiences. Over the course of journey, participants will travel from the imperial gardens of Beijing to the banks of the Haihe River in Tianjin, and from the lecture halls of leading universities to the millennia-old Buddhist niches of the Yungang Grottoes in Shanxi. Through lectures by renowned scholars, tours of celebrated sites, intangible cultural heritage experiences, and exchange activities, the camp aims to foster a comprehensive understanding of China, provide opportunities for cross-cultural dialogue among youth from diverse regions worldwide, familiarize participants with the operational principles of international organizations, and enhance global competence and leadership.

F e a t u r e d A c t i v i t i e s

I. Prestigious University Visits

- Visit Peking University and Tsinghua University to explore their campuses and experience the academic atmosphere of century-old institutions of higher learning
- Engage in in-depth exchanges with students from these renowned universities and forge international friendships

II. Distinguished Lectures

- Attend special lectures on Chinese culture delivered by professors of Peking University for an in-depth exploration of the Chinese classics
- Participate in expert lectures on the Palace Museum to uncover the historical and cultural intricacies of the Forbidden City
- Explore the evolution of Chinese characters and experience the art of calligraphy and seal carving

III. Imperial Heritage

- Ascend the Juyongguan Great Wall and experience firsthand the magnificence of this UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Tour Tian'anmen and the Palace Museum (Forbidden City) to explore the mysteries of the imperial palace
- Stroll through the Summer Palace and admire the pinnacle of Chinese imperial garden artistry
- Visit the National Museum of China for an overview of five thousand years of Chinese civilization
- Tour Beihai Park and savor the poetic beauty of an imperial garden
- Wander through Nanluoguxiang and experience the interplay of traditional Beijing hutong culture and contemporary creativity

IV. Eastern Aesthetics

- Tea Art Workshop: Learn about Chinese tea culture and appreciate the aesthetics of the East
- Hanfu Experience: Don traditional Chinese attire and appreciate the elegance of ancient Chinese dress
- Calligraphy Workshop: Wield the brush and experience the beauty of Chinese characters
- Beijing Opera Workshop: Discover the art of China's quintessential performing art and feel the unique charm of Chinese operatic culture

V. Tianjin Excursion

- Explore the Five Great Avenues of Tianjin and appreciate the architectural art that blends Chinese and Western styles
- Visit the Ancient Culture Street and experience the folk customs and culture of Tianjin

- Cruise along the Haihe River and enjoy the cityscape of Tianjin

VI. Shanxi Heritage Exploration

- Visit the Yungang Grottoes, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, to appreciate the grandeur of Northern Wei imperial stone carvings and trace the historical trajectory of Buddhist art's eastward transmission
- Follow in the footsteps of Black Myth: Wukong, the globally acclaimed video game, and experience the fusion of traditional Chinese mythology and modern digital art in its real-world filming locations
- Explore clusters of ancient architecture in Shanxi and discover the unique charm of what is known as "China's Museum of Ancient Architecture"
- Experience the intangible cultural heritage of Shanxi and gain insight into the profound legacy of one of the cradles of Chinese civilization

W h a t Y o u W i l l G a i n

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- A deeper understanding of China's outstanding traditional culture, with enhanced cultural literacy and aesthetic sensibility
 - Lasting friendships with young scholars from around the world and a broadened international perspective
 - Personal guidance from Peking University professors and experts, with enhanced leadership and global competence
 - Immersive experience in traditional Chinese arts, including calligraphy, tea art, and Beijing Opera
 - Field visits to UNESCO World Heritage Sites, fostering an understanding of the value of cultural heritage at the intersection of history and modernity
 - A certificate of completion issued by the hosting institutions

S e r v i c e s a n d S u p p o r t

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- **Accommodation:** Comfortable hotel/apartment lodging
 - **Meals:** Three meals daily, including specialty dining experiences
 - **Transportation:** Chartered vehicles for excursions; intercity high-speed rail

- **Admissions:** Entry tickets to all scheduled sites
- **Mentorship:** University student volunteers/professional guides accompanying participants throughout
- **Insurance:** Travel agency liability insurance and personal travel accident insurance (maximum coverage of RMB 250,000)
- **Camp Gear:** One camp T-shirt and one cap with the official logo

R e g i s t r a t i o n I n f o r m a t i o n

- **Registration Deadline:** June 30, 2026
- **Eligible Age:** 18–25 years of age
- **Minimum Enrollment:** 8 participants

We look forward to your participation. Join us on this unforgettable cultural journey!

Peking University
Lingnan University
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